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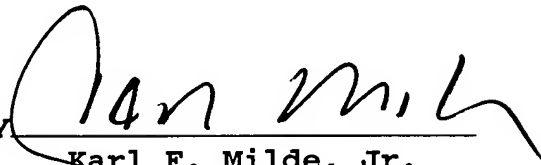
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Office Action issued October 1, 2008,
applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group II;
namely, claims 4-12 drawn to an apparatus for friction
welding.

This election is being made without traverse.

An examination on the merits of claims 4-12 is
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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